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For: RADIALLY EXPANDABLE VESSEL SUPPORT)

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Washington, D.C. 20231

COVER LETTER

Sir:

[x] The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

FOR	TOTAL WITH NEW CLAIMS ADDED	TOTAL CURRENTLY ON FILE	CLAIMS ALREADY PAID	RATE	CALCULATION
Total Claims	20	21	1 (Over 20)	x \$50	0
Independent Claims	1	1	-XXX (Over 3)	x \$200	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$360	0
REDUCTION FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY (note 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).				x ½	
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In addition, the below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

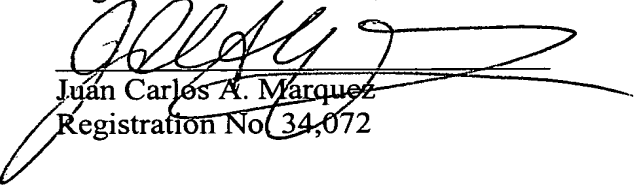
[x] Response to Office Action
(with Claim Amendments)
[] Substitute Specification
[] Preliminary Amendment
[] Request for Continued Examination

[x] Petition for Extension of Time (1 month)
[] Terminal Disclaimer
[] Letter to Draftsperson
[] Assignment
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- [x] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, including fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account Number 08-1480**.

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